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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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claiming Priority under 35 U.S.C. 119

of application No.: 100 65 929.2

in: GERMANY

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Title: Data transmission unit for setting up a digital cross-connect connection

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231

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3. The claims as filed in the above-identified U.S. patent application

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the claims for which the Search Report/Examination Report has been established.

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All citations ☐

All relevant citations except U.S. patents ☐


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Additionally, copies of the references cited in the specification are enclosed. ☒

Respectfully submitted,

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